

**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

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| Application Number | 09/325,536 |
| Filing Date | Jun 4, 1999 |
| First Named Inventor | K n Boyle et al. |
| Group Art Unit | 2165 |
| Examiner Name | F. Thompson, Jr. |
| Attorney Docket No. | 47004.000040 |

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Commissioner of Patents This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-
Washington, D.C. 20231 captioned application.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
 - i. Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 13, 2001
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
 - ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. Other: _____
- b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. Information Disclosure Statement (including Form PTO-1449 and References)
 - iv. Other: _____

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2. Miscellaneous

- a. Suspension of action on the above-captioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required.)
- b. Other: _____

3. Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

| a. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Fees are calculated as follows: | AMOUNT | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Large Entity | <input type="checkbox"/> | Small Entity |
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| i. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RCE BASIC FEE | \$ 740.00 | | \$ 740.00 | | \$ 370.00 |
| ii. | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXTENSION FEES | \$ 400.00 | One-Month | \$ 110.00 | | \$ 55.00 |
| | | | Two-Month | 400.00 | | 200.00 |
| | | | Three-Month | 920.00 | | 460.00 |
| | | | Four-Month | 1440.00 | | 720.00 |
| | | | Five-Month | 1960.00 | | 980.00 |
| 01/15/2002 JADD01 00000071 09325536 | iii. 740.00 0P | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 |
| 01 FC:179 | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 | | \$ 0.00 |

- b. Check in the amount of \$1,140.00 is enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any variance between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges to **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.
- c. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fees as indicated above, or credit any overpayments, to **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

SUBMITTED BY

Complete (if applicable)

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| Typed or Printed Name | David H. Milligan | Registration No. | 42,893 |
| Signature |  | Date | January 14, 2002 |